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1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 10/7/2005.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 111,114-115 and 117-119.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
- (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
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- (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
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6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

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DETAILED ACTION

1. Claims 111, 114-119 are pending in this Office Action.

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

2. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Attorney Brian R. Coleman, Reg. No. 39, 145 and Glenn E. Von Tersch, Reg. No. 41, 364 on 10/22/2005 & 10/26/2005.

Please replace claims 111, 117-119 with amended claims 111, 117-119 and cancel claim 116.

111. (Currently amended) A computer-implemented method for converting multi-media content into a plurality of target formats to deliver to one or more selected output devices, the method comprising the acts of:

- receiving one or more input multi-media content files;
- checking said one or more input multi-media content files for viruses and errors;
- performing de-virusing on said one or more input multi-media content files if said one or more input multi-media content files have said viruses;
- performing error-correction on said one or more input multi-media content files if said one or more input multi-media content files have said errors;
- automatically identifying multi-media type primitive components in said one or more input multi-media content files after said checking, said performing de-virusing or said performing error-correction, wherein said multi-media type primitive components include audio primitive components, video primitive components, animation primitive components, text primitive components, picture primitive components, graphic primitive components, and supporting material primitive components;
- automatically decomposing said multi-media type primitive components into sub-components;
- automatically converting each of said sub-components of said decomposed multi-media type primitive components into corresponding intermediate format components;

integrating said intermediate format components into a single output representation file corresponding to each target format of said plurality of target formats, wherein the integrating said intermediate format components includes adding timing information and presentation support information;

adapting and routing a final output to corresponding output device, wherein adapting includes adjusting said output presentation file to fit bandwidth requirements of each selected output device; and

controlling, scheduling conversion and integration processes associated with producing said final output corresponding to each target format of a plurality of target formats.

117. (Currently amended) A computer implemented multi-media conversion and integration system for converting multi-media content into a plurality of target formats to deliver to one or more selected output devices, the system comprising:
an input handler for:

receiving one or more input multi-media content files;
checking said one or more input multi-media files for viruses and errors;
performing de-virusing on said one or more input multi-media content files if said one or more input multi-media content files have said viruses;
performing error-correction on said one or more input multi-media content files if said one or more input multi-media content files have said errors;
updating and compressing one or more input multi-media files;

a publishing manager module for controlling, scheduling conversion and integration processes associated with producing a final output file corresponding to each target format of a plurality of target formats;

a translation module for:

automatically identifying multi-media type primitive components in said one or more input multi-media content files after said checking, said performing de-virusing or said performing error-correction, wherein said multi-media type primitive components include audio primitive components, video primitive components, animation primitive components, text primitive components, picture primitive components, graphic primitive components, and supporting material primitive components;

automatically decomposing said multi-media type primitive components into sub-components;

automatically converting each of sub-components of said decomposed multi-media type primitive components into corresponding intermediate format components;

integrating said intermediate format components into a single output presentation file corresponding to each target format of said plurality of target formats, wherein the integrating said intermediate format components includes adding timing information and presentation support information; and

an output device building module for adapting and routing a final output to corresponding output device, wherein adapting includes adjusting said output presentation file to fit bandwidth requirements of each selected output device.

118. (Currently amended) A computer-readable medium carrying one or more sequence of instructions for converting multi-media content into a plurality of target formats to deliver to one or more selected output devices, wherein execution of the one or more sequence of instructions by one or more processors causes the one or more processors to perform:

receiving one or more input multi-media content files:

checking said one or more input multi-media content files for viruses and errors;

performing de-virusing on said one or more input multi-media content files if said one or more input multi-media content files have said viruses;

performing error-correction on said one or more input multi-media content files if said one or more input multi-media content files have said errors;

automatically identifying multi-media type primitive components in said one or more input multi-media content files after said checking, said performing de-virusing or said performing error-correction, wherein said multi-media type primitive components include audio primitive components, video primitive components, animation primitive components, text primitive components, picture primitive components, graphic primitive components, and supporting material primitive components;

automatically decomposing said multi-media type primitive components into sub-components;

automatically converting each of said sub-components of said decomposed multi-media type primitive components into corresponding intermediate format components;

integrating said intermediate format components into a single output representation file corresponding to each target format of said plurality of target formats, wherein the integrating said intermediate format components includes adding timing information and presentation support information;

adapting and routing a final output to corresponding output device, wherein adapting includes adjusting said output presentation file to fit bandwidth requirements of each selected output device; and

controlling, scheduling conversion and integration processes associated with producing said final output corresponding to each target format of a plurality of target formats.

119. (Currently amended) A computer implemented multi-media conversion and integration system for converting multi-media content into a plurality of target formats to deliver to one or more selected output devices, the system comprising:

means for receiving one or more input multi-media content files:

means for checking said one or more input multi-media content files for viruses and errors;

means for performing de-virusing on said one or more input multi-media content files if said one or more input multi-media content files have said viruses;

means for performing error-correction on said one or more input multi-media

content files if said one or more input multi-media content files have said errors;

means for automatically identifying multi-media type primitive components in said one or more input multi-media content files after said checking, said performing de-virusing or said performing error-correction, wherein said multi-media type primitive components include audio primitive components, video primitive components, animation primitive components, text primitive components, picture primitive components, graphic primitive components, and supporting material primitive components;

means for automatically decomposing said multi-media type primitive components into sub-components;

means for automatically converting each of said sub-components of said decomposed multi-media type primitive components into corresponding intermediate format components;

means for integrating said intermediate format components into a single output representation file corresponding to each target format of said plurality of target formats, wherein the integrating said intermediate format components includes adding timing information and presentation support information;

means for adapting and routing a final output to corresponding output device, wherein adapting includes adjusting said output presentation file to fit bandwidth requirements of each selected output device; and

means for controlling, scheduling conversion and integration processes associated with producing said final output corresponding to each target format of a plurality of target formats.

Allowable Subject Matter

4. Claims 111, 114-115, and 117-119 are allowed.

The prior art of record alone or in combination, does not teach or fairly suggest the combination of steps as recited in independent claims 111 and 117- 118, wherein “automatically identifying multi-media type primitive components in said one or more input multi-media content files after said checking, said performing de-virusing or said performing error-correction, wherein said multi-media type primitive components include audio primitive components, video primitive components, animation primitive components, text primitive components, picture primitive components, graphic primitive components, and supporting material primitive components; automatically converting each of said sub-components components of said decomposed multi-media type primitive components into corresponding intermediate format components; integrating said intermediate format components into a single output representation file corresponding to each target format of said plurality of target formats, wherein the integrating said intermediate format components includes adding timing information and presentation support information” and ;

The prior art of record alone or in combination, does not teach or fairly suggest the combination of steps as recited in independent claim 119, wherein “means for automatically identifying multi-media type primitive components in said one or more input multi-media content files after said checking, said performing de-virusing or said performing error-correction, wherein said multi-media type primitive components include audio primitive components, video primitive components, animation primitive

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components, text primitive components, picture primitive components, graphic primitive components, and supporting material primitive components; means for automatically converting each of said sub-components of said decomposed multi-media type primitive components into corresponding intermediate format components; means for integrating said intermediate format components into a single output representation file corresponding to each target format of said plurality of target formats, wherein the integrating said intermediate format components includes adding timing information and presentation support information”.

The dependent claims, bring definite, further limiting, and fully enabled by the specification are also allowed.

Contact Information

5. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Cam Y T Truong whose telephone number is (571) 272-4042 . The examiner can normally be reached on Monday to Friday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, John Breene can be reached on (571) 272-4107. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (571) 272-8300.

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